



Agenda
Village of Glen Ellyn
Community Relations Commission - Special Meeting
Tuesday, September 12, 2023
7:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Room 306

Meeting Procedures Statement

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A. Call to Order

B. Review of Minutes

- 1) June 1, 2023 CRC Minutes

C. Roll Call

D. Introduction & Welcome of New Commission Members

E. Commission Overview

- 1)
 - o Intent & Purpose
 - o Categories of Effort (Policy & Training, Awareness & Education, Community Outreach, Essential Housing)

F. Commission Liason Reports

- 1)
 - Trustee Liaison
 - Park District Liaison
 - School District Liaison
 - Library Liaison
 - Police/Staff Liaison

G. Audience Participation

H. Commission Action Discussion

- 1)
 - Elect Chairperson Pro-Tem
 - DEI Resource Guide
 - Programs/Events/Activities (since June 2023 meeting)
 - o 2023-06-26 Juneteenth Proclamation
 - o 2023-09-06 Intro/Outreach at Kiwanis Club of Glen Ellyn
 - Programs/Events/Activities (upcoming)
 - o 2023-09-14 Intro/Outreach at Glen Ellyn Public Library Book Club
 - o 2023-11-16 Refugee Journey Simulation in Partnership with College of Dupage
 - o 2023-02-23 Afro-Caribbean Dance and Cultural Event in Partnership with College of DuPage

- 2024-04-20 Refugee Journey Simulation in Partnership with Glen Ellyn Public Library
- 2024-07-22 - 2024-08-30 World on the Move - Partnering with Glen Ellyn Public Library
- Exploring Game Night
- Indigenous Cultural Partnership Exploration with Midwest SOARRING Foundation
 - McKee House - Cultural Center, Museum
 - 2023-09-23 Autumnal Equinox Event in front of McKee House
 - 2023-10-14&15 Pow Wow at DuPage County Fairgrounds
- Budget Proposal
- Consider Days/Months that are Recognized
 - For example (months): Black History Month (February), Women's History Month (March), Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month (May), LGBTQ Pride Month (June), Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 - October 15), American Indian & Alaska Native Heritage Month (November)
 - For example (days): Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (third Monday of January), Juneteenth (June 19), Indigenous Peoples Day (second Monday of October)
- Community Relations Commission Impact Report - Presentation to Village Board proposed for October 9, 2023

I. Next Meeting - October 5, 2023

J. Adjourn



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Community Relations
Special Meeting
June 1, 2023
6:00P
Glen Ellyn Public Library

Board or Commission: Community Relations
Meeting: Regular
Quorum: Yes

Date: June 1, 2023
Called to Order: 6:00 p.m.
Adjourned: 7:33 p.m.

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Sania Irwin	Chairperson	Present
Mir Ali	Commissioner	Present – late arrival at 6:10
Bill Enright	Commissioner	Present
Tauya Forst	Commissioner	Present
Michelle Roman-Garcia	Commissioner	Present
Nancy McKee	Commissioner	Present – late arrival 6:08pm
Kim Thomas	Commissioner	Present
Sumaiya Syed	Student Commissioner	Absent

Also Present:

Grant Paplauskas	Communications Coordinator	Present
Donna Jean Simon	Trustee Liaison	Present
Dawn Bussey	Library Executive Director	Present

Public Present:

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The June 1, 2023 regular meeting of the Community Relations Commission was called to order by Chairperson Irwin at 7:00 PM at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 4, 2023 MEETING

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM May 4, 2023 COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING

MOTION BY: Commissioner Enright

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Thomas

RESULT: Unanimous

C. COMMISSION LIAISON INTRODUCTIONS/REPORTS

1. *Trustee Report* –Trustee Simon reports the Village Board will be reviewing the Comprehensive Plan one more time this evening.

2. *Park District Liaison Report* – Jeanie reports the Director search is moving forward and we have received about 60 applications and the candidates are being narrowed down. We hope to have the position filled by the end of July. Summer is upon us, camps start on Monday.

3. *Library Liaison Report* – Director Bussey reports we are kicking off our summer reading program. Summer reading is not only for children, it is also for adults and to entice adults to sign up, we are giving away chocolate bars. Chairperson Irwin and I did a walk through and the Refugee Simulation will work in the library. It will be an amazing program. We are still waiting on dates. This event will take place in the spring.

4. *Staff Report* – No report

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

E. COMMISSION ACTION DISCUSSION

1. Programs/Events/Activities

- Juneteenth Proclamation with Village Board – Chairperson Irwin discussed with Trustee Simon on the CRC being part of the proclamation. If the proclamation is approved by the Village board we can add it to the newsletter and add it to the CRC webpage.

Commissioner Roman-Garcia motions to join the Juneteenth proclamation with the Village Board and upon approval to communicate the proclamation in the village newsletter and CRC website; Commissioner Enright seconds the motion.

APPROVAL TO JOIN THE JUNETEENTH PROCLAMATION WITH THE VILLAGE BOARD AND COMMUNICATE THE PROCLAMATION IN THE VILLAGE NEWSLETTER AND ON THE CRC WEBSITE

MOTION BY: Commissioner Roman-Garcia

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Enright

RESULT: Unanimous

- Cultural Dance Salsa Event for Fall 2023. Commissioner Forst reports we want to make sure this event is culturally relevant. Chairperson Irwin requested we host this in the COD pavilion; however the Warhol event is there until September 23. There are a few options to choose from that would be great options. I have a meeting with COD on June 26 to discuss this event. The COD culinary student team is interested in participating. Everyone is onboard to do this event and have more community involvement. I would like to give COD a range of dates.
 - Refugee Experience Simulation with Exodus World Services, for Fall 2023 – Commissioner Forst states we are meeting on June 19 to decide on the space and date. We will want to invite our COD classes to this event. We are looking at a Tuesday at 9:00am, 11:00am and 12:30pm which allows professors to bring their students to the event. We could also offer a session or two at night if there is interest. We can run 50 people through the experience. Chairperson Irwin states she would like to offer an evening session so Trustees and village employees can attend.
 - Native American / Indigenous Community Partnership for Fall 2023 – Trustee Simon reports local professors were invited to speak who were native American when this event last took place at the Glen Ellyn History Center. Discussions were facilitated in a restorative circle setting/experience. It was a very meaningful experience. This is something that can be done at this event. Chairman Irwin states the CRC will try to get the professors together for this event.
 - Refugee Experience Simulation with Exodus World Service for Spring 2024 (will be held at the Glen Ellyn Public Library) Chairperson Irwin reports we need to decide on a date and time for this event in March or April.
2. Community Relations Commission Impact Report – Chairperson Irwin reports last fall I did a presentation on the work the CRC has done to the Village Board. I would like to do this again this year. Chairperson Irwin asks the CRC if they have any changes to the report (see attached). She adds, I would like to present to the Village Board in the summer and would like to include a budget request of \$5,000 for next year in the presentation. Chairperson Irwin states she will share the budget request with the CRC for review.

3. Commissioner McKee motions to approve the presentation for the Village Board with the potential addition of the budget request; Commissioner Ali seconds the motion.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS IMPACT REPORT

MOTION BY: Commissioner McKee

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Ali

RESULT: Unanimous

4. DEI Resource Guide – Chairperson Irwin states some of the commissioners had a hard time accessing the resource guide to review. Commissioner Roman-Garcia states the area I need help with is the resources and links to include in this guide. We want to also include *Why DEI* and *What can you do now* are topics that are low hanging fruit for this guide. Chairperson Irwin states the high level structure is good and yes we do need a brochure. The intention of this guide is to help businesses and individuals in the community on their DEI journey. We want to have a brochure that is a resource and also create a much larger complete document for the journey (20 pages). Commissioner Forst states the current draft guide gives a nice overview. We do need images and graphics in this document to give it more interest and make it more palatable. We also need to have background and alphabetized definitions in this guide with steps to lead the reader on their journey. Chairperson Irwin asks the CRC to review the draft guide over the summer.

F. Glen Ellyn: CommYOUity Fun for Everyone!

- G. Announcement** – Chairperson Irwin states Commissioner Forst is rolling off the commission at the end of her term in July. I want to thank her for all her work and for how much she has moved this commission forward with all her contributions. The CRC thanks Commissioner Forst.

H. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING DATE

Adjournment- Commissioner Roman-Garcia motions and Commissioner Enright seconds to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

The next meeting – September 7, 2023.

Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by Grant Paplauskas, Staff Liaison



Community Relations Commission

Civility Pledge

September 2023

I pledge to promote civility by listening, being respectful of others, acknowledging that we are all striving to support and improve our community and understanding that we each may have different ideas for achieving that objective.

Source: Illinois Municipal League, Civility Pledge (<https://iml.org/civility>)



Join College of DuPage and Glen Ellyn Community Relations Commission for a Refugee Journey Simulation



In this interactive experience, you will:

- Learn about who refugees are and how they get to the United States.
- Be engaged physically and emotionally by this facilitator-led experience.
- Gain a better understanding of a refugee's complex and difficult journey.



Student
Sign-Up



Non Student
Sign-Up

Join us on **Thursday, November 16**, at the
College of DuPage Student Services Center,
Room 3245, at any one of these times:

11:00 am–12:15 pm

2:00 pm–3:15 pm

12:30 pm–1:45 pm

5:00 pm–6:15 pm

All community members are invited to share in this journey brought to you by College of DuPage in partnership with the Village of Glen Ellyn Community Relations Commission.

**To learn more, contact
Joan DiPiero at 630.942.3872.**



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GLEN ELLYN COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION						
<i>2023 Budget Outline / Estimates</i>						
Thursday, August 31, 2023						
Type	Item	Amount	Month/Date	Year	Audience	Location / Presence
Event	CommYOUity Fun for Everyone	\$100.00	1-Jun	2023	Residents	Glen Ellyn Public Library
Event	Refugee Experience Simulation	\$1,000.00	16-Nov	2023	Village Trustees, Commissioners, Staff + Residents	College of DuPage
Material	Community Relations Commission Banner(s)	\$500.00	One Time	One Time	Residents / Event Participants	At Events
TOTAL		\$1,600.00				

GLEN ELLYN COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION						
<i>2024 Budget Outline / Estimates</i>						
Thursday, August 31, 2023						
Type	Item	Amount	Month/Date	Year	Audience	Location / Presence
Publication	DEI Resource Guide	\$850.00	January	2024	Businesses, Residents	Print (plus Online)
Event	Afro-Caribbean Dance and Cultural Event	\$2,825.00	23-Feb	2024	Residents	College of DuPage
Event	Refugee Experience Simulation	\$1,000.00	20-Apr	2024	Residents	Glen Ellyn Public Library
Event	CommYOUunity Fun for Everyone	\$100.00	6-Jun	2024	Residents	Glen Ellyn Public Library
Event	Game Night	\$100.00	September/October	2024	Residents	TBD
Event	Indigenous Cultural Experience	\$1,000.00	Fall	2024	Residents	TBD
Event	Programs and Events in Planning	\$1,500.00		2024	Residents	TBD
TOTAL		\$7,375.00				